

Amendments to the Claims

(A Clean Version of the Amendment to the List of Claims is included in the Appendix.)

To comply with the Examiner's indications, the Applicant respectfully requests the amendment of the claims, as follows:

- Cancellation of the claims 27, 28, 30 and 31 previously submitted.
- Amendment to the claims 24 thru 26, 29, and 32 thru 34 previously submitted, as shown below in the marked up Amendment to the Listing of Claims.
- Conversion of claim 32 to independent claim.
- Claim 34 referring to claims 24 or 32 in the alternative.
- New claim 35 added.

AMENDMENT TO THE LIST OF CLAIMS (Marked up Version)

(Please refer to the Clean Version included in the attached Appendix)

LIST OF CLAIMS

What is claimed as invention is:

1-23: (Cancelled)

24 (Currently amended) (New): A dancing toy lollipop comprising ~~at least one edible component~~ ~~a candy~~ attached to ~~one end~~, hereafter referred to as ~~upper end~~, of ~~an end of~~ a stick made of any suitable material, hereafter referred to as ~~holding stick~~, while the opposite end of the ~~holding stick is the grip portion of the stick~~ ~~being said stick~~ held by the user's hand, wherein the ~~edible component is provided with an interior cavity and said upper end of said holding stick is provided with retaining means, such that the~~ ~~said candy is provided with a conveniently shaped interior cavity open to the exterior and said end of said stick has retaining means such that when said stick is inserted into said interior cavity in said candy, said candy is retained on said stick with an articulated union between said edible component~~ ~~candy~~ and said ~~holding stick~~, instead of being ~~tight and rigid as in current lollipops, is articulated~~, in such a manner that said ~~edible component, hereafter referred to as movable edible piece~~ ~~candy~~, is ~~reliably attached to said~~

~~holding stick, but at the same time moves freely performing combined motions relative to said holding stick, in a sort of dancing like random movements, when the dancing toy lollipop is movedshaken by the user.~~

25 (Currently amended) (New): ~~The~~A dancing toy lollipop as defined in claim 24, wherein ~~the movable edible piece is provided with an interior cavity with at least one outer opening and said movable edible piece is candy with said interior cavity is~~ made of, but is not limited to, molded candy mass with diversevaried flavors, colors and shapes.

26 (Currently amended) (New): ~~The~~A dancing toy lollipop as defined in claim 2524, wherein ~~thesaid~~ interior cavity in ~~thesaid~~ movable edible piececandy has the configuration of is, but is not limited to, a hole through said candy with two opposite exterior openings, having said hole with the shape of a truncated cone provided with an inwardly~~a~~ shrunk section consisting in an annular edge or annular lip protruding inwardly and forming a constricted opening, hereafter referred to as orifice or throat, at the at the smallest cross section of said hole cavity, being said throat and ~~said~~ interior cavity conveniently configured to insert the upper end of the holding stick with retaining means into the movable edible piece to complete the assembly of the dancing toy lollipop.

27 (Cancelled) (New): ~~The~~ dancing toy lollipop defined in claim 25, wherein ~~the interior cavity in the movable edible piece is provided with, but is not limited to, two outer opposite openings, one located on the top and the other on the bottom of said movable edible piece, being the upper outer opening of the cavity closed by an edible plug securely fixed by, but not limited to, an edible adhesive, having said plug diverse colors, flavors and shapes.~~

28 (Cancelled) (New): ~~The~~ dancing toy lollipop defined in claim 24, wherein ~~the movable edible piece is made of, but is not limited to, therapeutic substances.~~

29 (Currently amended) (New): ~~The~~A dancing toy lollipop as defined in claim 24 and 26claims 24 or 26, wherein ~~the~~ holding said stick is, but is not limited to, a thin elongated stick with round

that when a movable edible piece is passed over the upper set of protuberances during the assembling of at least one movable edible piece onto said holding stick, said opposite protuberances collapse elastically inward to a size substantially equal to the throat in the interior cavity of the movable edible piece, and when the throat of said movable edible piece reaches the neck between both sets of protuberances, said upper set of protuberances expand elastically inside the interior cavity of said movable edible piece, recovering its normal size, which is substantially bigger than the throat but smaller than said interior cavity, while the lower set of protuberances remains below the throat of said movable edible piece, so that said movable edible piece is engaged at the neck between both sets of protuberances with an articulated union, in such a manner that said movable edible piece remains reliably attached to said holding stick, but moves freely swiveling, rotating and tilting in relation to the holding stick in a sort of dancing like motion when the user moves the dancing toy lollipop.

32 (Currently amended) (New): The~~A~~ dancing toy lollipop ~~defined in claim 24, wherein at least comprising two or more movable edible pieces~~candies stacked on an end of a stick, being said stick held by the user, wherein said candies are provided with conveniently shaped interior cavities, provided in turn with, but not limited to, two opposite openings to the exterior and a constricted section or throat, are stacked one above the other onto a holding ~~and said stick has retaining means such as, but not limited to, resilient elements properly located, configured and dimensioned, so that, when said stick is inserted into said candies through said openings, said resilient elements collapse to pass through said throats in said interior cavities in said candies, which, in addition to the retaining means at its upper end, is provided with a lower stop that consists in, but is not limited to, a fixed thickened section shaped like a sphere located at an appropriate distance under the top of the upper end, and above of the grip portion of said holding stick, in such a manner that said stop impedes that the movable edible pieces slide down and out of said holding stick, while the retaining means at the upper end of the holding stick prevent the attached movable edible pieces from going up and out of said holding stick, and thereof the movable pieces remain reliably attached to the holding stick with an and after passing through said throats in said interior cavities in said candies, said resilient elements on said stick expand elastically inside said interior cavities in said candies, retaining said candies on said stick while providing appropriate gaps between said expanded resilient elements on said stick and said~~

cross section with its upper and has one end provided with resilient retaining means such as, but not limited to, a set of resilient elements properly located, configured and dimensioned to insert said upper so that when said end of said holding stick is inserted into the said interior cavity of the in said movable edible piece and candy, said resilient elements collapse to pass through said throat in said interior cavity in said candy and, after passing through said throat, expand elastically inside said interior cavity in said candy, retaining said candy on said stick, while providing an appropriate gap between said interior cavity in said candy and said expanded resilient elements on said end of said stick, thereof to retain keeping said movable edible piece candy attached to said upper end of said holding stick with an articulated union, in such a manner that the, that said movable edible piece is reliably candy attached to the holding stick, but moves freely in relation to said holding stick, when the opposite end of said holding stick, performing as the grip portion of the dancing toy lollipop, is held and shaken by the user's hand and the dancing toy lollipop is moved by the user.

30 (Cancelled) (New): The dancing toy lollipop defined in claim 29, wherein the holding stick has one grip portion ramified in at least two upper ends, each provided with retaining means, and to said upper ends are reliably attached with articulated unions movable edible pieces with assorted shapes, colors and flavors, and each of said movable edible pieces moves freely in relation to said upper ends of the holding stick in a sort of dancing like motion when the user moves the dancing toy lollipop.

31 (Cancelled) (New): The dancing toy lollipop defined in claims 24 and 26, wherein the retaining means at the upper end of the holding stick consist in, but are not limited to, two sets, one above the other, of two resilient round protuberances, normally expanded, located at opposite sides of said upper end of the holding stick, with an axial open slot along the longitudinal axis of the core of said upper end, creating an air gap between the two opposite protuberances in both sets of protuberances, while the cross section of said upper end located between the upper and the lower sets of protuberances is a narrow section, hereafter referred to as neck, slightly smaller than the throat in the interior cavity of the movable edible pieces, such

interior cavities in said candies, thereof keeping said candies attached to said stick with articulated unions, in articulated union, such that said movable edible pieces and such a manner, that said candies move freely in a sort of dancing like motion relative in relation to the holding said stick when the user moves shakes the dancing toy lollipop.

33 (Currently amended) (New): The A dancing toy lollipop as defined in claim 2432, wherein is added at least one the holding stick is, but is not limited to, a smooth round thin stick to which are attached at least two movable edible pieces which are stacked one above the other onto said holding stick, whose upper end is provided with a fixed candy, firmly attached to said stick with a rigid union and said fixed candy is properly configured and positioned on said stick to perform as a stop located at the top of said upper end, consisting in, but not limited to, a fixed thickened section with spherical shape, to prevent the said movable edible pieces stacked candies from sliding up and out of said holding stick, while under the lowest movable edible piece is attached a removable sliding element that performs as sliding retaining means to prevent said stacked movable edible pieces from sliding down and out of the holding stick, being said removable sliding retaining element, in turn, provided with a hole substantially equal to the cross section of the holding stick, to insert said holding stick through said hole, and being said sliding retaining element conveniently locked onto the holding stick at the desired position by means of, but not limited to, a self locking resilient tight fit, such that the movable edible pieces remain reliably attached to the holding stick with an articulated union, in such a manner that said movable edible pieces move freely in a sort of dancing like motion relative to the holding stick, when the user moves the dancing toy lollipop.

34 (Currently amended) (New): The A dancing toy lollipop as defined in claim 24 claims 24 and 32, wherein the holding said stick is made of any suitable material, such as non toxic plastic, being said holding stick which is washable and reusable, such that the user reuses said holding stick to manually assemble manually the dancing toy lollipop replacing the consumed movable edible pieces candies with new ones and combining at will diverse movable edible pieces candies with a great variety of varied shapes, colors and flavors, onto a same holding reusable stick.

35 (New): A dancing toy lollipop as defined in claims 34 or 36, wherein said reusable stick is, but is not limited to, a smooth round thin stick provided with a fixed stop located at the top of one end, consisting in, but not limited to, a fixed thickened section with spherical shape, to prevent said stacked candies from sliding out of said holding stick through said end, being said candies inserted through the opposite end of said stick or insertion end and, after them, is inserted an additional removable sliding element, which is reusable, and performs as sliding retaining means to prevent said stacked candies from sliding out of the stick in the direction of said insertion end, being said removable sliding retaining element, in turn, provided with a hole substantially equal to the cross section of the holding stick, to insert the insertion end of said stick through said hole, and being said sliding retaining element conveniently locked onto said stick at the desired position by means of, but not limited to, a self locking resilient tight fit, while said stacked candies remain attached to said stick with articulated unions, in such a manner that said candies move in relation to the stick, when the user shakes the dancing toy lollipop, and to replace said candies after having been consumed, the user removes said removable sliding retaining element and inserts new candies on said reusable stick.